

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

TRIBAL RESOLUTION 060913-01

To Establish an Ad-hoc Violence Against Women Act / Tribal Law and Order Act Committee

- WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak Nation, known as the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB), and its citizens are vested with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under Public Law 103-324, and is a party to numerous Treaties with the United States the most recent of which being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621);
- WHEREAS** Congress recently passed the Violence Against Women Act, VAWA, reauthorization which includes provisions granting federally recognized Indian tribes limited criminal jurisdiction over non-Indians for domestic violence offenses and the Tribal Law and Order Act, TOLA, that allows tribal courts to increase jail sentences handed down in criminal cases;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, in fully exercising its jurisdiction and in the protection against domestic violence, approves the Tribe in enacting laws and promoting services that address the VAWA and TOLA;
- WHEREAS** the committee will focus on education and outreach, assessment of needs, identifying resources and implementing the criteria for exercising the jurisdictions of VAWA and TOLA;
- WHEREAS** The Committee will involve individuals from the Legislative, Executive and Judiciary Branches of Tribal government along with the Prosecutor's Office in order to fully develop the laws, enforcement and services of VAWA and TOLA and make recommendations to the Tribal Chair, Tribal Council and Chief Judge and has identified the following Committee members:

EXECUTIVE	
Administration	Tribal Administrator
Communications	Coordinator
Elders	Coordinator or Designee
Executive Offices	Executive Assistant to the Chairman
Grants	Grant Writer
Human Services	Director and Victim Advocate
Law Enforcement	Chief of Police and Designated Officer
Health Department	Director or Designee
Substance Abuse/Mental Health	Director and/or Designee
Youth	Coordinator or Designee
Natural Resources	Director and Chief Conservation Officer

JUDICIAL	
Tribal Court	Chief Judge or Designee
Tribal Court	Court Administrator or Designee
Probation	Domestic Violence Coordinator

LEGISLATIVE	
Legal Department	Executive Assistant
Legislative Services	Attorney
Tribal Council	1 or 2 Tribal Councilors

PROSECUTOR	
Prosecutor's Office	Prosecutor or Designee

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council approved the Ad-hoc VAWA/TOLA Committee that is comprised of Tribal Administrator, Communications Coordinator, Elders Coordinator or Designee, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, Human Services Director and Victim Advocate, Chief of Police and Designated Officer, Natural Resources Director and Chief Conservation Officer, Probation Domestic Violence Coordinator, Health Director of Designee, Substance Abuse/Mental Health Director and/or Designee, Youth Coordinator or Designee, Chief Judge or Designee, Court Administrator or Designee, Legal Executive Assistant, Legislative Services Attorney, Tribal Councilor(s) and Prosecutor or Designee.

THEREFORE FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee will make recommendations to the Tribal Chair, Tribal Council and Chief Judge based on their findings.

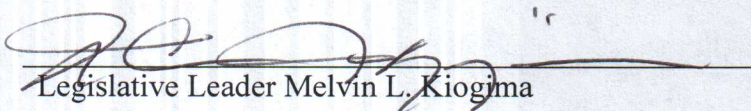
FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the work group shall be dissolved either upon the completion of the assessment and implementation of VAWA/TOLA or at the end of April 2015.

CERTIFICATION

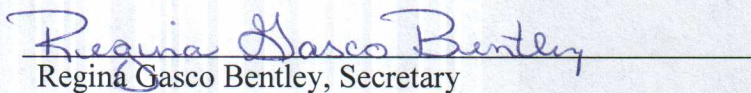
As the Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Tribal Resolution was duly adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held on June 9, 2013 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent as recorded by this roll call:

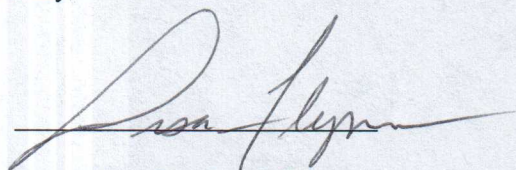
	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Belinda Bardwell	X			
Bill A. Denemy	X			
Kevin Gasco				X
John Keshick	X			
Aaron Otto	X			
Winnay Wemigwase				X
John Bott	X			
Regina Gasco Bentley	X			
Melvin L. Kiogima				X

Date: 6/9/13


Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima

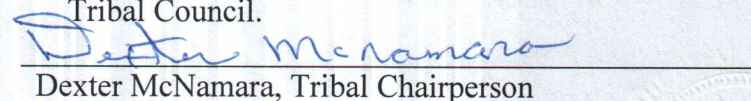
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Regina Gasco Bentley, Secretary

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Pursuant to Article VII, Section D, Subsection 1 of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Constitution adopted on February 1, 2005 the Executive concurs in this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: 7-8-13


Dexter McNamara, Tribal Chairperson